Mountain Weather Forecast

North Grampian

Including North and West Cairngorms National Park, Monadhliath, Ben Alder, Creag Meagaidh, Loch Ericht and Loch Rannoch
Forecast valid from 00:00 on Saturday 04 Dec 2021 until 23:59 on Sunday 05 Dec 2021

Forecast Issued on Friday 03 Dec 2021 at 16:20 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for changeable, often hazardous conditions, but for Sunday to be the best day. Low by Tuesday.

Headline for Saturday 04 Dec 2021: Cloudy with rain sleet and snow gradually becoming showery and becoming mainly in afternoon. Strengthening north or northwest winds. Evening snow showers.

Mountain weather hazards on Saturday 04 Dec 2021

Blizzards
Medium Likelihood

Heavy Snow
Medium Likelihood

Storm force winds
No Likelihood

Gales
Low Likelihood

Severe chill effect
High Likelihood

Poor visibility
High Likelihood

Thunderstorms
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
Low Likelihood

Strong sunlight
Low Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Heavy snow	Heavy snow	Light snow	Light snow	Dull	Cloudy	Light snow showers (night)	Heavy snow
Precipitation probability							
80%	80%	30%	80%	20%	20%	30%	50%

Forecast for Saturday 04 Dec 2021

Weather: Mainly cloudy with outbreaks of rain and hill snow overnight and in the morning, the snow mainly above 500m. Some longer drier interludes in the afternoon with a few sunny intervals in places but snow showers may pep up across in the evening especially over the Northern Cairngorms Cromdale and Strathdon.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 20%, increasing 50%, but lower over the Plateau.

Visibility: Occasionally moderate or poor in rain and snow, very poor in hill fog and blowing snow. Becoming mainly good away from cloud and showers in afternoon, poor in evening snow showers. The cloud 500-700m lifting and breaking a bit in afternoon, but lowering in evening showers.

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Forecast for Saturday 04 Dec 2021

Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	30/39 SW	20/26 W	22/28 NW	31/39 NW	33/42 NW	33/43 NW	35/45 N	37/49 N	37/49 N
900	29/34 SW	17/20 SW	15/18 NW	22/28 NW	24/30 NW	24/30 NW	24/31 NW	28/36 N	27/35 N
600	17/25 SW	8/12 W	7/9 W	12/17 NW	14/19 NW	13/19 NW	13/20 NW	17/25 N	14/22 N
300	8/19 SW	3/10 SW	2/9 N	7/18 NW	7/18 NW	7/18 NW	6/18 NW	10/24 N	9/22 N
Glen	6/20 SW	3/10 SW	4/16 NW	6/20 NW	6/21 NW	6/21 NW	5/22 NW	6/22 NW	5/22 N

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	-4/-13	-3/-11	-4/-13	-4/-14	-5/-15	-5/-15	-5/-16	-5/-16	-6/-16
900	-0/-8	-1/-7	-1/-7	-2/-9	-2/-10	-2/-10	-2/-10	-2/-10	-3/-11
600	2/-4	1/-2	0/-3	0/-5	0/-5	0/-5	-0/-6	0/-6	-0/-6
300	3/0	1/-1	1/-1	2/-2	2/-1	2/-1	2/-1	2/-2	1/-3
Glen	3/-0	2/0	2/-1	2/-1	3/-0	3/-1	2/-1	3/-2	2/-2
Freezing Level*	800m	600m	600m	600m	600m	600m	500m	600m	400m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Note the very low feels like temperatures at height.

Forecast for Sunday 05 Dec 2021
Weather: A generally fine day with sunny spells, unbroken across Ben Alder and Loch Rannoch. Perhaps a light snow shower at first across the Cairngorms and Lecht with some capping summit cloud possible.

Maximum wind: Northerly 35 gusts 45mph in early hours easing 25 gusts 35 by dawn then down to 10-15mph in the afternoon.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: Generally 90% or more in southwest, but 75% in north, 40% at first over Cairngorms.

Visibility: Very good, away from any patchy cloud above 900m in the north.

Temperature: **Glens:** Minus 1 rising to Plus 4 at best then down to Minus 2 in the evening.
At 800m: Minus 3 Celsius
Freezing level: 300m

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